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NAGURA, et al.

Serial No. 09/822,845

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For: **CATALYST CONVERTER**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the Office Action having a mailing date of August 6, 2004. The three month shortened statutory period to respond to the Office Action was set to expire November 6, 2004, which makes this a timely filed response to the present Office Action.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the outstanding objections and rejections and allow this application.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above captioned application as follows: